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SUBJECT: Release and Availability of ETA Occasional Paper 2007-06:, First Findings from Project GATE (Growing America Through Entrepreneurship)

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To announce the release and availability of the ETA Occasional Paper 2007-06: *First Findings from Project GATE (Growing America Through Entrepreneurship)* – Interim Report.

2. <u>Background</u>. Project GATE, an experimental research demonstration, was initiated by U.S. Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao in 2002 to help emerging entrepreneurs create, sustain, and/or expand their existing small business. Project GATE operated in seven sites in three states (Minnesota, Maine, and Pennsylvania). To help emerging entrepreneurs, Project GATE: (1) teamed U.S. Department of Labor training and assistance programs with economic development entities such as local small business development centers, women's business development centers, local chambers of commerce, entrepreneurial service providers, and small business loan providers; (2) partnered with faith-based and community-based organizations, ethnic organizations, and local community businesses in extensive community outreach efforts; and (3) provided entrepreneurial training and technical assistance to over 2,000 project participants.

3. <u>Publication Description</u>. To learn more about this publication's findings, please see the attached Summary and Implications document.

4. <u>Inquiries</u>. To view an abstract of this publication as well as download the full report or executive summary as a PDF, visit the ETA Occasional Paper Series Web site at: <u>http://www.doleta.gov/reports/searcheta/occ/</u>. To request a hard copy of this publication, please write: the Dissemination Team, Division of Policy, Legislation and Dissemination, Office of Policy Development and Research, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N5641, Washington, DC 20210; or call the publication order line at: (202) 693-3666.

5. Attachment. ETA Summary and Implications Document.

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